

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device for spraying a fluid into a body cavity comprising
- (a) a body structure including a housing,
 - (b) a nozzle extending out from an upper end of the housing for insertion into a body cavity,
 - (c) a fluid discharge device moveably housed within the housing, the fluid discharge device having a longitudinal axis and comprising:
 - (1) a container for storing the fluid to be dispensed having a neck at one end,₁ and
 - (2) a compression pump having
 - (i) a suction inlet located within the container,₂ and
 - (ii) a discharge outlet extending out from the neck of the container for transferring fluid from the pump to the nozzle,₃ and
 - (~~d~~iii) at least one lever to apply a force to an actuating means used to move the container along the longitudinal axis towards the nozzle so as to actuate the pump to transfer fluid from the pump to the nozzle,

wherein the ~~or each~~ at least one lever is pivotally supported at a lower end within the housing for pivoting inwardly relative to the housing in a direction substantially transversely to the longitudinal axis on application thereto of a force directed substantially transversely to the longitudinal axis and the actuating means connects to the neck of the container by a collar engaged with the neck of the container,

wherein the actuating means comprises of at least one abutment surface formed on the collar against which at least one actuating surface formed at an upper end of the at least one lever is arranged to react,

wherein at least one of the at least one actuating surface and the at least one abutment surface is arranged at an angle to the longitudinal axis of the fluid discharge device so as to convert a force applied to the at least one lever

substantially transversely to the longitudinal axis of the fluid discharge device into a force on the actuating means along the longitudinal axis,

wherein a pre-load mechanism is provided to prevent actuation of the compression pump until a pre-determined force is applied to the at least one lever, the pre-load mechanism being comprised in the upper end of the at least one lever, and

wherein the at least one lever and the actuating means are configured and arranged such that application of said pre-determined force to the at least one lever causes the at least one lever to pivot to move the at least one actuating surface inwardly relative to the housing and slide underneath the at least one abutment surface to cause the container to move upwards towards the nozzle along the longitudinal axis to actuate the compression pump.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously presented) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 1 in which there are two opposing levers each of which is pivotally supported near a lower end of the housing and is arranged to act upon the actuating means so as to urge the container towards the nozzle when the two levers are squeezed together by a user.

4. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 1 in which the ~~or each~~ at least one lever is pivotally connected to part of the housing.

5-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which ~~the or each~~ the at least one abutment surface is arranged at an angle to the longitudinal axis of the fluid discharge device.

31. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 30 in which the ~~or each~~ at least one actuating surface is arranged at an angle to the longitudinal axis of the fluid discharge device.

32. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 30 in which the ~~or each~~ at least one actuating surface is a curved surface.

33. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which the at least one lever has two actuating surfaces and there are a corresponding number of ~~plural~~ abutment surfaces formed on the collar each being located for co-operation with a respective ~~one of two~~ actuating surfaces ~~formed on the~~ ~~or each lever~~.

34. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 33 in which ~~each~~ the at least one lever is U-shaped in cross-section having first and second flanges joined together by a bridging portion.

35. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~33~~ 34 in which the first flange has an end portion forming a first actuating surface and the second flange has an end portion forming a second actuating surface.

36. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which ~~each~~ the at least one lever is pivotally supported at a lower end within the housing by a pivotal connection between the lower end of the ~~respective~~ the at least one lever and part of the body structure.

37. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 36 in which the part of the body structure is the housing.

38. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 3 in which each lever is pivotally supported at a lower end within the housing by a flexible strap joining the lower ends of the two levers.

39. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which the housing has a front wall, a rear wall and two opposing side walls and at least one of the front wall and the rear wall has an aperture therein to view the level of the fluid in the container.

40. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which the body structure comprises of a plastic housing and a plastic body member.

41. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~39~~ 40 in which the nozzle is formed as an integral part of the plastic body member.

42. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~40~~ 41 in which the plastic body member is fastened to the housing so that the nozzle projects from the upper end of the housing.

43. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which the housing has ~~two apertures~~ at least one aperture formed therein from ~~each of~~ which, in use, a part of ~~a respective~~ the at least one lever ~~one of the levers~~ projects.

44. (Currently amended) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim ~~28~~ 1 in which the body has ~~two apertures~~ at least one aperture formed therein from ~~each of~~ which, in use, a part of ~~a respective~~ the at least one lever ~~of the levers~~ projects.

45. (Previously presented) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 1 wherein the container contains a volume of fluid medicament formulation.

46. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 45 wherein said fluid medicament formulation is in the form of a solution formulation.

47. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 45 wherein said fluid medicament formulation is in the form of a suspension formulation.

48. (Previously presented) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 45 wherein the fluid medicament formulation comprises an anti-inflammatory medicament compound.

49. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 48 wherein said medicament compound is a glucocorticoid compound.

50. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 49 wherein said glucocorticoid compound is selected from the group consisting of 6 α , 9 α -Difluoro-17 α -(1-oxopropoxy)-11 β -hydroxy-16 α -methyl-3-oxo-androsta-1,4-diene-17 β -carbothioic acid *S*-fluoromethyl ester; 6 α , 9 α -difluoro-17 α -[(2-furanylcarbonyl)oxy]-11 β -hydroxy-16 α -methyl-3-oxo-androsta-1,4-diene-17 β -carbothioic acid *S*-fluoromethyl ester; and 6 α ,9 α -Difluoro-11 β -hydroxy-16 α -methyl-17 α -[(4-methyl-1,3-thiazole-5-carbonyl)oxy]-3-oxo-androsta-1,4-diene-17 β -carbothioic acid *S*-fluoromethyl ester.

51. (Original) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 48 wherein said medicament compound is selected from the group consisting of PDE4 inhibitors, leukotriene antagonists, iNOS inhibitors, tryptase and elastase inhibitors, beta-2 integrin antagonists and adenosine 2a agonists.

52. (Cancelled)

53-55. (Cancelled)

56-58. (Cancelled)

59. (new) A fluid dispensing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pre-load means comprises releasably engagable surfaces of the at least one lever and the housing which prevent the at least one lever pivoting inwardly relative to the housing until the pre-determined force is applied to the at least one lever.